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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Agency Information Collection Request. 60-Day Public Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary (OS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of a proposed collection for public comment.

DATES: Comments on the ICR must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments to Sherrette.Funn@hhs.gov or by calling (202) 795-7714.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: When submitting comments or requesting information, please include the document identifier 0937-0166 and project title for reference, to Sherrette A. Funn, email: Sherrette.Funn@hhs.gov, or call (202) 795-7714 the Reports Clearance Officer.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Title of the Collection: HHS 42 CFR subpart B; Sterilization of Persons in Federally Assisted Family Planning Projects;

Type of Collection: Extension;

OMB No. 0937-0166.

Abstract: The Department of Health and Human Service, Office of Population Affairs is requesting an extension of a currently approved collection for the disclosure and recordkeeping requirements codified at 42 CFR part 50, subpart B ("Sterilization of Persons in Federally Assisted Family Planning Projects"). The consent form solicits information to assure voluntary and informed consent to persons undergoing sterilization in programs of health services which are supported by federal financial assistance administered by the United States Public Health Service (PHS). It provides additional procedural protection to the individual and the regulation requires that the consent form be a copy of the form that is appended to the PHS regulation. In 2003, the PHS sterilization consent form was revised to conform to OMB government-wide standards for the collection of race/ethnicity data and to incorporate the PRA burden statement as part of the consent form. We are requesting a three-year extension.

Type of respondent: Individuals seeking sterilization. Frequency: Once; prior to procedure.

Annualized Burden Hour Table

Forms (If necessary)	Respondents (If necessary)	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondents	Average Burden per Response	Total Burden Hours
Information	Citizens	100,000	1	1	100,000
Disclosure for	Seeking				
Sterilization	Sterilization.				
Consent					
Form.					
Record-	Citizens	100,000	1	15/60	25,000
keeping for	Seeking				
Sterilization	Sterilization.				
Consent Form					
Total					125,000

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